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Dear Colleagues:

This is the second announcement of the 20th International Symposium on Laser-Aided Plasma Diagnostics (LAPD20). The international Scientific Committee (ISC) and the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) have decided to postpone LAPD20 due to the COVID pandemic. A new schedule and symposium location for LAPD20 are as follows:

Date

September 10th (Sunday) 2023 ~ September 14th (Thursday) 2023

Location

Kyoto Garden Palace Hotel, Kyoto, Japan (web site <u>https://www.hotelgp-kyoto.com/english/</u>)

The tradition of the LAPD is face-to-face discussion. Thus, we will try to organize it on this site. However, the pandemic situation is still fluid. If 2023 symposium is still difficult to organize on site, we shall consider organizing remotely. We are keeping LAPD20 web site (<u>https://lapd20.nifs.ac.jp/</u>) open and the contact e-mail address (lapd20@nifs.ac.jp) is active.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. The next announcement will be sent at the end of 2022.

Four years after the last symposium, many exciting results will be presented at the next one. Please keep up your interest in participating LAPD20. We expect to see your faces at Kyoto under healthy and peaceful conditions.

Best regards,

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